

House Resolution No. 359

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State communities and neighborhoods which bring glory and honor to themselves and to this great state; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri, has been chosen as a recipient of the 2007 Golden Apple Award from the Mt. Vernon Chamber of Commerce; and

Whereas, Mount Vernon, which is named in honor of George Washington's residence on the Potomac, is the seat of Lawrence County government, the home to the annual Apple Butter Makin' Days, and a popular stopover for travelers on their way to Stockton Lake, Precious Moments Chapel, and Roaring River State Park; and

Whereas, Mount Vernon has also distinguished itself as home to the Missouri Rehabilitation Center and the Missouri Veterans Home; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon experienced a devastating ice storm in January 2007 that resulted in more than \$500,000 in damages and power outages that lasted up to fourteen days; and

Whereas, thanks to city employees who worked many long hours, the City of Mount Vernon got was able to get the community back to normal; and

Whereas, Mount Vernon city officials include, Dave Eden, Mayor; John Rice, City Administrator; Shannon Neely, City Clerk; Gene Stanton, Public Works Director; Fil Turk, Chief of Police; and Melvin Owens, Fire Chief; and

Whereas, in addition, the Board of Aldermen for the City of Mount Vernon are J.N. Greene, Bruce Conway, David Van Pelt, Carol Millsap, April Mieswinkel-Thompson, Max Springer, John Hull, and Randy Short:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to the City of Mount Vernon for its selection to receive the 2007 Golden Apple Award and in further wishing it continued success in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Don Ruzicka
District No. 132

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 359, adopted January 31, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker